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Subject: Microsoft Settlement

Good Afternoon,

I certainly hope that you finally reach a settlement in this case and let one of the finest entities in America get on with business. Throughout my school years and all my years in busines, I have never received greater value and more productive tools than Microsoft software. MS Word and MS Excel are the envy of the software world as is the MS Windows operating system in all its versions. I am sure that all Microsoft's competitors are jealous; however, they should not be allowed to use the courts t achieve that which they cannot achieve through innovation. Sam Walton never resorted to the courts to beat out Sears, J.C Penny, K-Mart and the now defunct Ward's. He used innovation and fair pricing and we all get better value for that. WalMart is now the largest corporation in the world.

Judge Penfield Jackson was so biased in his handling of this case that he should be removed from the bench. I thought that the federal courts operated at a much higher standard but am sorry to say they all don't.

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